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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:  
SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROJECT PREPARING A PROCUREMENT AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SYSTEM

and invented by: Ray F. Barnard, Carl S. Baumann, Philip J. Cirulli, Kerin J. Flannery, Carl J. Lanuti, John I. Munson, Karl J. Ritch

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**Application Elements**

01. ☒ Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
02. ☒ Specification having 77 pages and including the following:
  - a. ☒ Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - b. ☒ Cross References to Related Applications *(if applicable)*
  - c. ☐ Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development *(if applicable)*
  - d. ☐ Reference to Microfiche Appendix *(if applicable)*
  - e. ☒ Background of the Invention
  - f. ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
  - g. ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings *(if drawings filed)*
  - h. ☒ Detailed Description
  - i. ☒ Claim(s) as Classified Below
  - j. ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure
03. ☒ Drawing(s) when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)
  - a. ☐ Formal
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04. ☒ Oath or Declaration
- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy) ☐ Not executed
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional application only)
- c. ☒ With Power of Attorney ☐ Without Power of Attorney
05. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if box 4b is checked)
- The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Item 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
06. ☐ Computer Program in Microfiche (Appendix)
07. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all must be included)
- a. ☐ Paper Copy
- b. ☐ Computer Readable Copy (identical to computer copy)
- c. ☐ Statement Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy

**Accompanying Application Parts**

08. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
09. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (when there is an assignee)
10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
11. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS citation
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16. ☐ Additional Enclosures (identify below)

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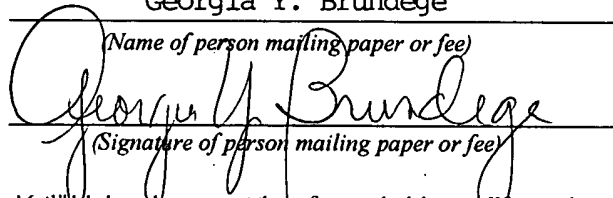
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